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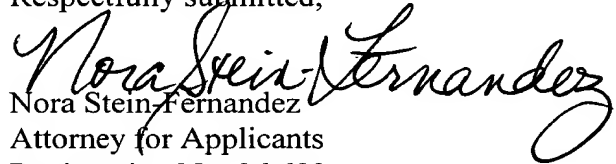
This Amendment is made in response to the Official Action mailed October 10, 2003. A request for a three-month extension of time accompanies this Amendment. Claims 1-11 have been canceled without prejudice to their further prosecution in one or more continuation applications. New claim 12 has been added. Accordingly, claim 12 is now pending in this application. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of this application are respectfully requested in view of the above amendments, and further, in view of the following remarks.

Claims 1-11 have been rejected for various reasons as stated in the Official Action, Paper No. 10. Since the claims have been canceled, the rejections are moot and should be withdrawn.

New claim 12 has been added and is directed to a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof. Support for the addition of this claim can be found in the specification and claims as originally filed.

In view of the foregoing, favorable consideration of new claim 12 and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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